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Monitoring SRS implementation

Lessons from the CRVS monitoring approach

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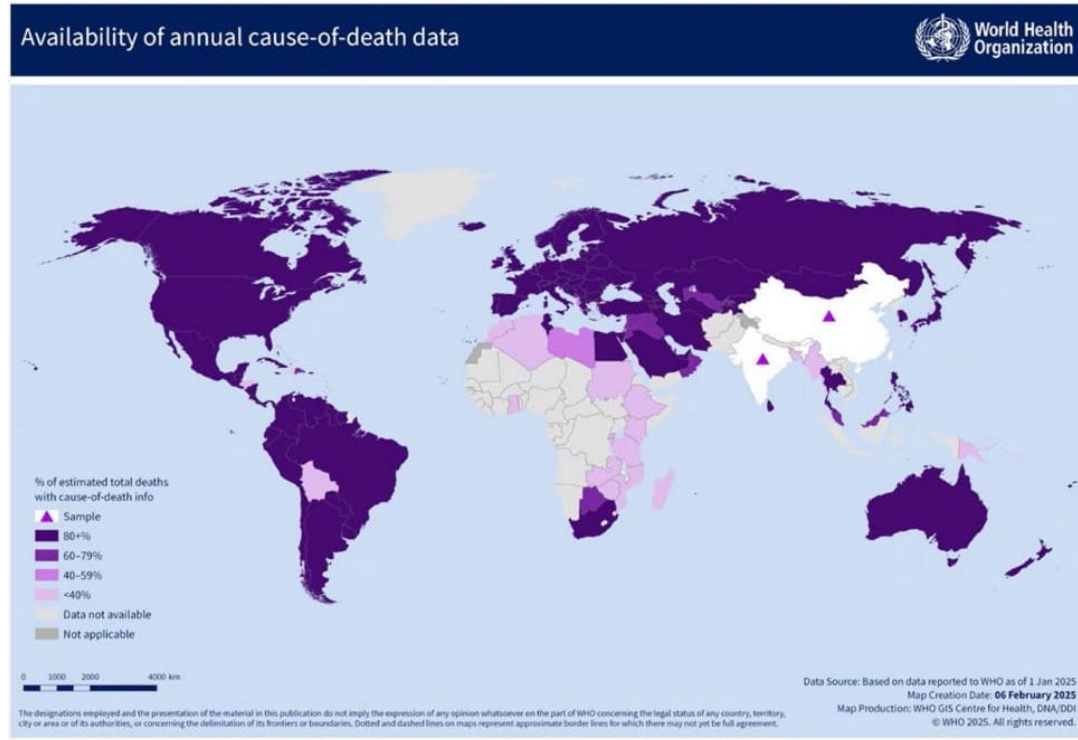
Lessons from CRVS monitoring

One step further

CRVS monitoring & data quality

The challenge

- Governments and CRVS stakeholders **do not use routinely metrics to monitor** the performance of their CRVS system
- Some of the metrics, although informative, are **not actionable**

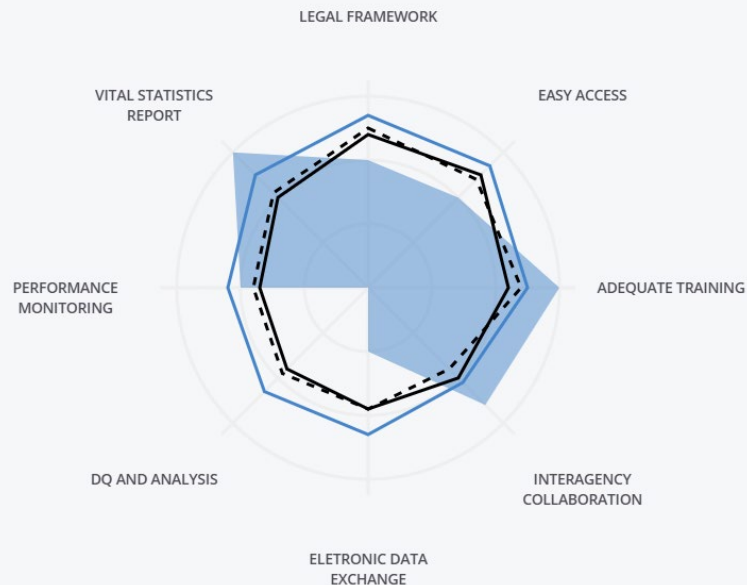


CRVS monitoring & data quality

The challenge

- Some metrics are not linked to decisions or may **not be relevant for the administrative level or sector**

Core attributes of a functional CRVS system in place to generate vital statistics*



CRVS monitoring & data quality

The opportunities

- It is not the first time



for **Health Data**
Technical Package

Table 3.1 Inputs, processes and

Aspect	Components	Areas of focus
Inputs	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legislation, regulatory framework, technical standards
Processes	B–D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process certification Forms and data management Process monitoring and evaluation
Outputs	E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type and quality of statistics produced, and methods for disseminating, accessing and using those statistics



existence and operation of civil registration and vital statistics systems

information such as registration and vital statistics, and the process of obtaining and compiling information data

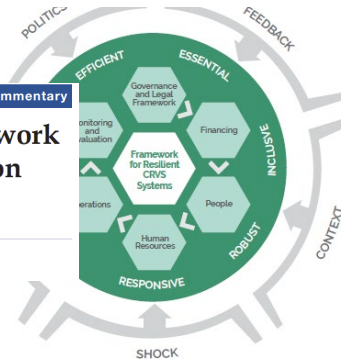


Commentary

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The 'Ten CRVS Milestones' framework for understanding Civil Registration and Vital Statistics systems

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The challenge

- Collecting data to feed the indicators **requires (substantial) resources** that most times are not routinely

Collection method	NPV 2021	Cost per indicator
National Population Census	164,164,441	308,961
CRVS	20,359,482	5,679
Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey	1,748,940	7,772
Malaria Indicator Survey	7,030,281	165,657
Demographic and Health Survey	6,670,919	24,709
Living Standards Survey	8,631,758	120,710
Maternal Health Survey (GMHS)	4,655,430	8,7144



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CRVS monitoring approach

Lessons learned & tools

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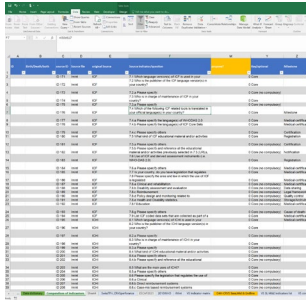
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Different lens

1. User oriented “decision first” approach
2. Interested in operational AND strategic
3. Systems thinking lens
4. Participatory in nature
5. Building on existing frameworks and efforts
6. No new data sources to be created

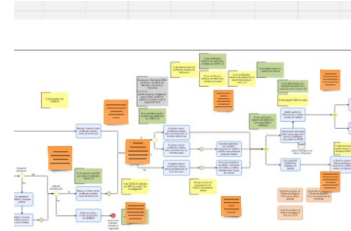
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Key methodologies used



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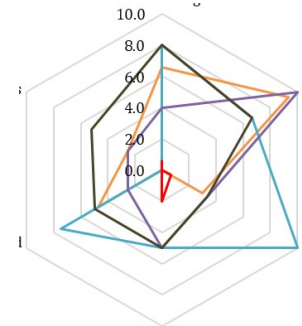
Document review



Process analysis



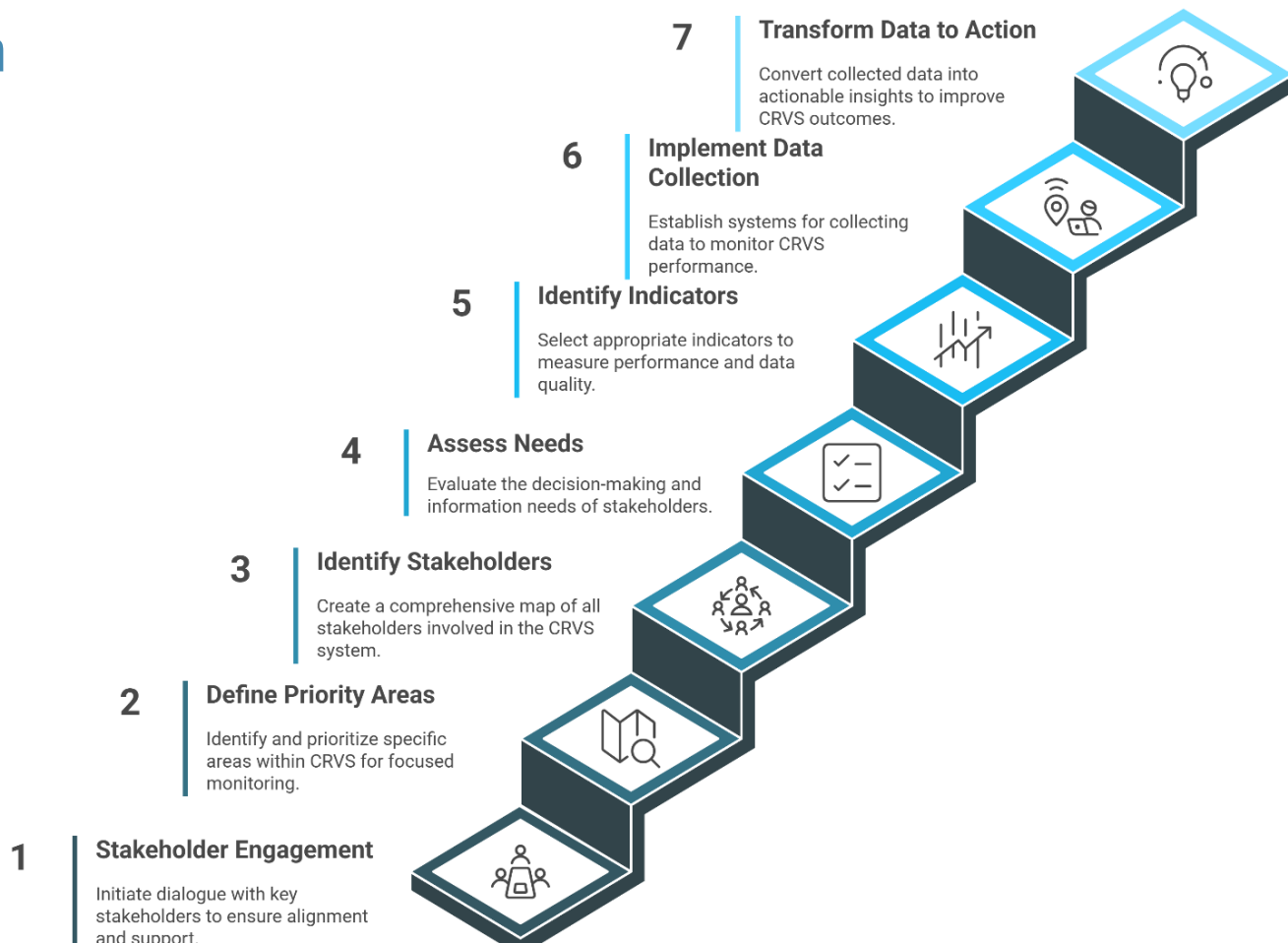
Participatory workshops



Decision space

Approach

7 steps



The 7 steps



Stakeholder engagement

Technical working group

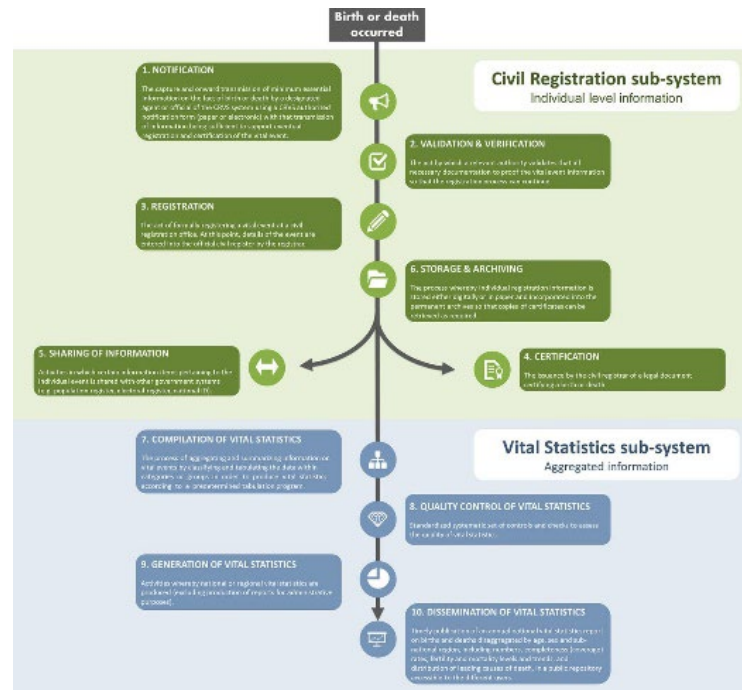
Shared understanding of the stakeholders' roles and engagement strategy



Define priority areas

Priority area for the monitoring effort

Defined scope



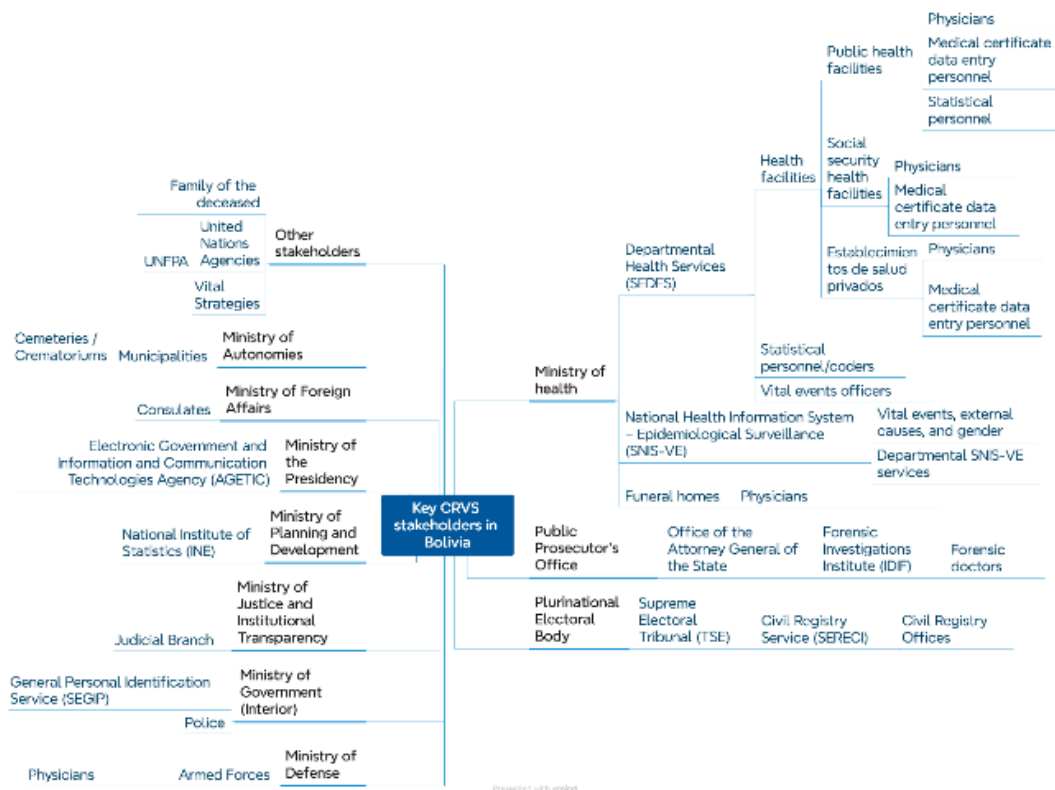
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Identify Stakeholders

A validated stakeholder list outlining producers, users, and beneficiaries related to the CRVS priority area

Clear documentation of stakeholder's roles



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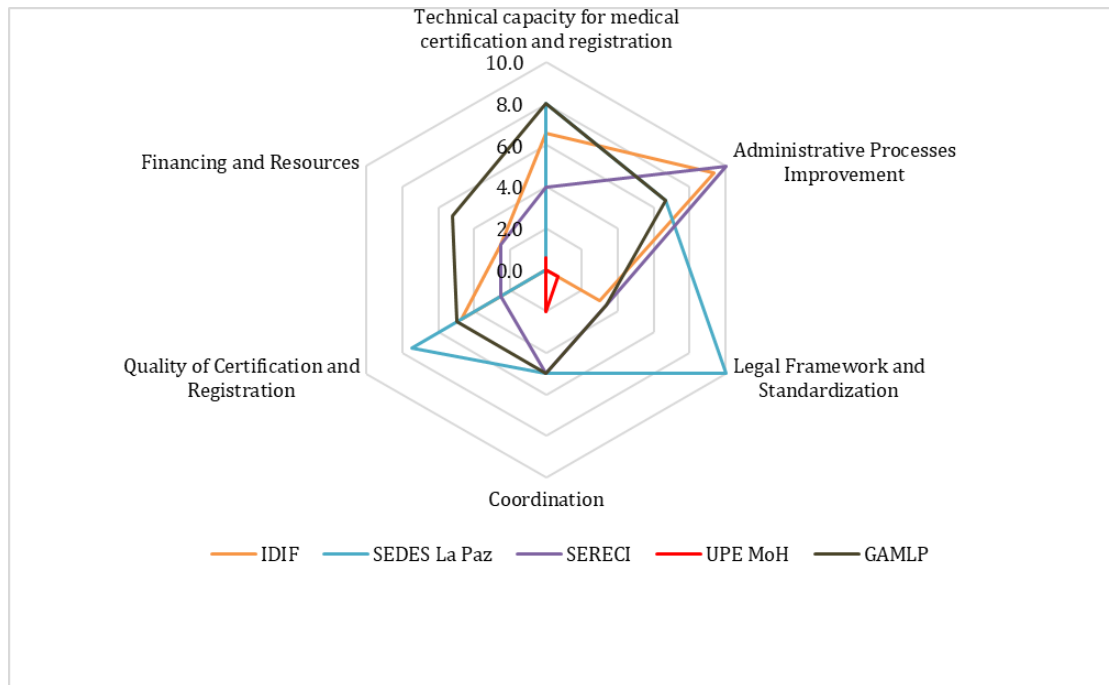


Assess needs

Decision-making needs and data use patterns

Strategic and operational decisions

Decision space diagram for stakeholders



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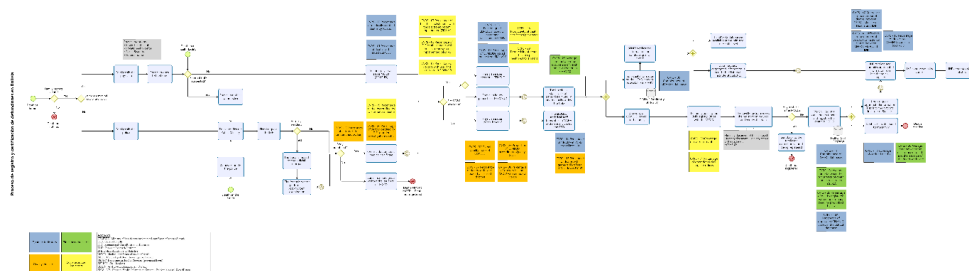
Identify indicators

A curated and standardised set of performance and data quality indicators

Linkage between indicators and specific stages or functions

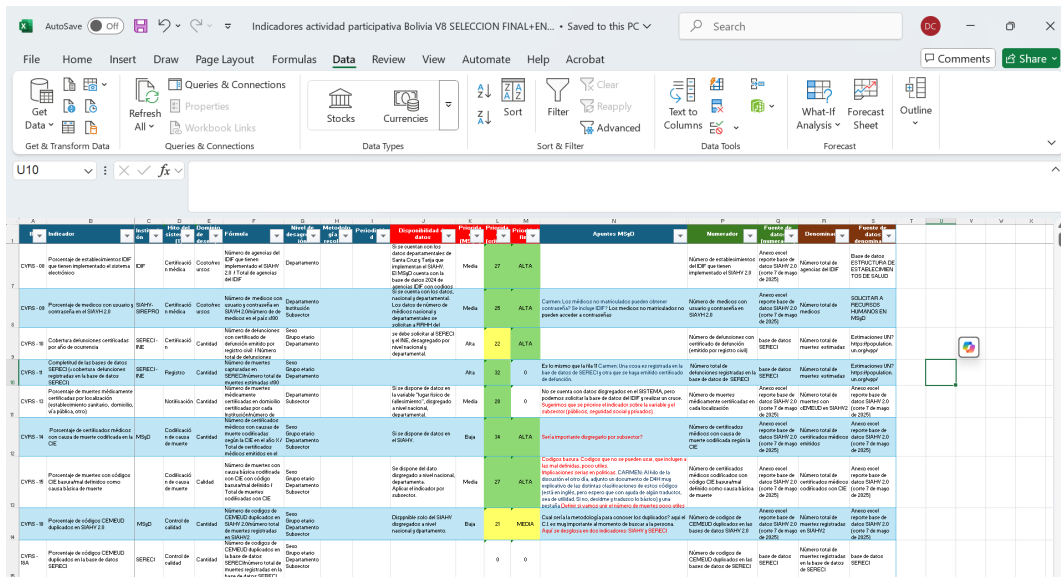
A shared understanding

ID	Indicator	Institution data source	CVRS milestone	Performance domain	Desagregation level
CVRS - 01	Percentage of deaths with issued CEMEUD	MoH (SIAHV2)	Medical certification	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, issuing institution of the CEMEUD
CVRS - 02B	Percentage of CEMEUDs issued on paper and transcribed in SIAHV2.0	MoH (SIAHV2)	Medical certification	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, issuing institution of the CEMEUD
CVRS - 03	Percentage of CEMEUDs issued online from SIAHV2.0	MoH (SIAHV2)	Medical certification	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, issuing institution of the CEMEUD
CVRS - 05	Completeness of SIAHV2.0 databases	MoH (SIAHV2) - INE	Medical certification	Quantity	Sex, age group, department
CVRS - 07	Percentage of health establishments with the electronic system implemented, by year	MoH (SIAHV2)	Medical certification	Cost/resource	Department, subsector
CVRS - 08	Percentage of IDIF establishments with the electronic system implemented	IDIF	Medical certification	Cost/resource	Department
CVRS - 09	Percentage of doctors with user and password in SIAHV2.0	SIAHV2 - SIREPRO	Medical certification	Cost/resource	Department, Institution, Subsector
CVRS - 10	Coverage of certified deaths by year of occurrence	SERECI - INE	Certification	Quantity	Sex, age group, department
CVRS - 11	Completeness of SERECI databases (= coverage of deaths registered in the SERECI database)	SERECI - INE	Registration	Quantity	Sex, age group, department
CVRS - 13	Percentage of medically certified deaths by location (health establishment, home, public space, other)	MoH (SIAHV2)	Notification	Quantity	Department, subsector
CVRS - 14	Percentage of medical certificates with cause of death coded in ICD	MoH (SIAHV2)	Cause of death coding	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, subsector
CVRS - 15	Percentage of deaths with incorrect/misdefined ICD codes as the underlying cause of death	MoH (SIAHV2)	Cause of death coding	Quality	Sex, age group, department, subsector
CVRS - 18	Percentage of duplicated CEMEUD codes in SIAHV2.0	MoH (SIAHV2)	Quality control	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, subsector
CVRS - 18A	Percentage of duplicated CEMEUD codes in the SERECI database	SERECI	Quality control	Quantity	Sex, age group, department, subsector
CVRS - 19	Percentage of deaths certified by IDIF as "natural deaths"	IDIF	Medical certification	Cost/resource	Sex, age group, department
CVRS - 20	Percentage of deaths certified by IDIF as "under investigation" deaths	IDIF	Medical certification	Quality	Sex, age group, department



A context-specific data collection plan for CRVS monitoring with clear institutional roles.

Initial data sets available for performance review



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Transforming data into action

To promote the **effective use of CRVS data for decision-making, system evaluation, and continuous improvement**, strengthening the CRVS systems and interconnected agencies (e.g. health, law) through evidence-based action



Products for countries to use



What would you like to do?

- Select CRVS monitoring indicators**
Export your indicator/milestone selection to Excel format
Create the list of CRVS indicators
- Create data visualizations of the CRVS indicators**
Import new data from Excel file to update your indicators and milestones.
Import Data

Guidance for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Performance Measurement and Data Quality Monitoring: A Framework for Effective Implementation

A practical approach to establishing country-owned and led, user-oriented CRVS performance and data quality monitoring system



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M&E for SRS systems

SRS monitoring

What questions are we trying to answer with the M&E system?

Strategic questions

- Do routine outputs (mortality rates, COD fractions) meet **precision and timeliness** targets at required statistical domains?
- Are **decision-relevant products** (dashboards, bulletins) reaching national/subnational users, and are there documented **management actions** that follow?
- Do internal consistency checks and **triangulation** with external sources indicate acceptable **data quality** (completeness, plausibility, stability)?
- Are **governance, ownership and financing** arrangements adequate for continuity (custodianship, data release, domestic budget lines, TA roles)?

SRS monitoring

What questions are we trying to answer with the M&E system?

Operational questions

- Are all expected deaths in sampled clusters being detected, assigned, and followed up within the planned time windows?
- Is the field-to-server pipeline (device → server → analysis portal) functioning with acceptable latency and error rates?
- Are supervision and quality-assurance protocols (spot checks, re-visits, recapture) being executed as designed and documented?
- Do we have the operational capacity (HR, equipment, connectivity) to keep pace with the planned workload and address backlogs?

SRS monitoring

What are we monitoring?

SRS project progress

Purpose: Track whether the SRS project is delivering the planned activities, on time and within budget

Type of indicator: Milestone (e.g. sampling frame finalized), budget execution, interoperability arrangements (e.g. MoU signed), workforce capability (e.g. % staff recruited/trained)

Time span: limited to the project life

Routine SRS operations

Purpose: Ensure the system produces timely, complete and high-quality data the it is used to inform policy

Type of indicator: Completeness of data collection (e.g. % of vital events captured), data quality (e.g. VAs with undetermined COD), timeliness, integration & use (# of access to dashboard)

Time span: Permanent

SRS monitoring

Who is monitoring?

- Need to create the **governance mechanisms** to anchor the monitoring system (e.g. SRS Steering Committee)
- Clear **RACI matrix by product** – e.g. define who is Accountable/Responsible for monthly dashboards, quarterly DQAs, annual results reports
- Establish **learning loops** in which e.g. operational findings inform program resourcing
- Standard **cadence and scalation** of actions based on results



Thank you for your attention

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